

REPLY UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
TECHNOLOGY CENTER 3700

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Samuel M. Shaolian, et al.	§	Docket No.:	31132.872 / P0021404.02
Serial No.:	10/606,409	§	Examiner:	Beccia, Christopher J.
Filed:	June 25, 2003	§	Art Unit:	3775
For:	Transpedicular Intervertebral Disk Access Methods and Devices	§	Conf. No.:	5663

Mail Stop: AF
Commissioner For Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION
MAILED JUNE 17, 2009

I. Introductory Remarks

The present paper is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed June 17, 2009.

No fees, including extension of time fees, are believed necessary for consideration of the present paper. However, if any fees, including extension of time fees, are necessary, the extension of time is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including those for the extension of time, to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

The **Listing of Claims** begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.